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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Llinas-Brunet, M. et al

Appln. No. (to be accorded)

Atty. Docket No. 13/068-3-D3

Filed:

Group Art Unit: 1626

For: Hepatitis C Inhibitor Tri-Peptides

Examiner: Oswecki, J.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, after the title and before line 1, add --This application is a divisional of U.S.

Application No. 09/368,866, filed on August 5, 1999, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional

Application No. 60/095,931, filed August 10, 1998, and U.S. Provsional Application No.

60/132,386, filed May 4, 1999. --

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